



ECA

**BUREAU OF EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE**



About the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs

The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)'s mission is to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries by means of educational and cultural exchange that assist in the development of peaceful relations. ECA is committed to fairness, equity and inclusion, and its programs strive to reflect the diversity of the United States and global society.



55,000 participants engage in exchange programs funded by ECA annually



15,000 American participants travel abroad on exchanges each year



101 U.S. public and private non-profit institutions funded

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Non-Competitive Eligibility for Certain Program Alumni

- *Alumni have preferential hiring status for federal jobs for one year, and up to three years if certain conditions are met, after their program ends.*
- *Our goal is to build a diverse federal workforce that will benefit from the skills and experiences these alumni have developed on program.*



USA Study Abroad

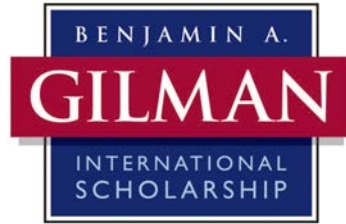
The USA Study Abroad branch increases and diversifies U.S. study abroad through programs for both individuals and institutions. We help our future leaders gain the critical skills they need to advance U.S. national security and economic prosperity by:

- Offering study abroad opportunities;
- Building institutional capacity for study abroad; and
- Highlights the benefits of study abroad to individuals and the U.S.

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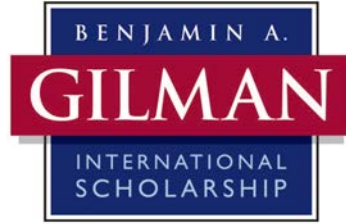


Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program

The Gilman Scholarship supports American undergraduate students of limited financial means to study or intern abroad. Since 2001, Gilman has been successful in including more than 25,000 traditionally underrepresented students in education abroad, providing a more accurate reflection of the diversity of American society overseas.

- 44 percent of Gilman Scholars are first generation college students.
- 64 percent of Gilman Scholars in Academic Year 2014-15 self-identified as being a member of an ethnic minority group.

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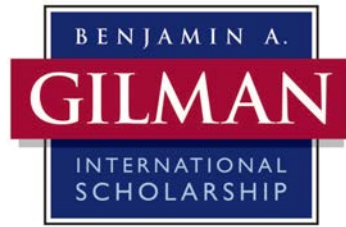


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Applicant Requirements

- U.S. citizen
- Undergraduate student
- Receive Federal Pell Grant Funding
- Study or intern abroad for at least two weeks (community colleges) or three weeks (four-year institutions) on a program eligible for credit
- Must study in a country with an overall Travel Advisory Level 1 or 2. Within qualifying countries, travel to specific areas designated with Travel Advisory Levels 3 or 4 will be prohibited.

www.gilmanscholarship.org
#Gilman Scholarship



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Program Details

- *Approximately 3,000 scholarships awarded each year of up to \$5000*
- *Funds can be put towards program costs, such as tuition, fees, room/board, meals, transportation , and visa costs.*
- *Applicants studying a critical need language can apply for a supplemental award of up to \$3,000, for a combined total of up to \$8,000.*
- *Award amounts vary depending on length of study and student need.*
- *Students can apply the scholarship toward a fall, spring, summer or academic year term program.*
- *Applications are accepted twice a year in the spring and the fall.*

www.gilmanscholarship.org
#GilmanScholarship



Critical Language Scholarship Program

The Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) Program provides scholarship for U.S. undergraduate and graduate students to learn critical foreign languages that are important for advancing U.S. national security goals.

Azerbaijani

Arabic

Bangla

Chinese

Hindi

Indonesian

Japanese

Korean

Persian

Portuguese

Punjabi

Russian

Turkish

Swahili

Urdu

www.clscholarship.org
#SayYesToCLS





Critical Language Scholarship Program

Program Details

- Summer intensive immersion programs for 8-10 weeks
- Approximately 550 scholarships awarded per summer
- College credit available
- Applications accepted in the fall of each year

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#SayYesToCLS





Critical Language Scholarship Program

Applicant Requirements

- U.S. citizen
- *Enrolled in an accredited U.S. degree-granting program at the undergraduate (associate's, bachelor's) or graduate (master's, doctoral, professional degree) level at the time of application*
- *Undergraduate students must complete at least one academic year of study by the beginning of the CLS Program.*
- Be at least 18 years old.
- *Applicants select a CLS language, rather than a particular country or location. Applicants are eligible to apply for one language only.*

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#SayYesToCLS





Fulbright U.S. Student Program

Study/Research Awards

- *Propose an independent research project abroad – all fields*
- *OR, enroll in graduate courses*
- *One academic year*
- *Offered in more than 140 countries, pick one*
- *900 awards available*

English Teaching Assistant Awards

- *Teach English language or American culture in K-12 schools or universities*
- *One academic year*
- *Offered in more than 70 countries, pick one*
- *1,100 awards available*
- *May pursue individual study/research plans in addition to teaching*

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#Fulbright



Programs for Faculty

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program

- Supports teaching and/or research activity for three to 12 months in 125+ countries for faculty, administrators, and professionals
- Flex Awards allow multiple visits to the host country over short segments

Fulbright Specialist Program

- Engage in two- to six-week, project-based exchanges at host institutions abroad
- Candidates apply to be included on the Fulbright Specialist Roster, from which foreign institutions select specialists to assist with projects

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